

## Message Text

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ACTION NODS-00

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FM AMEMBASSY DAMASCUS  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC NIACT IMMEDIATE 4968

S E C R E T DAMASCUS 6052

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FOR SECRETARY FROM MURPHY

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PBOR, MOPS, MILI,( )3, IS, US, PLO  
SUBJECT: SOUTH LEBANON

REF: STATE 229135

1. ON RECEIPT REFTEL ATTEMPTED  
CONTACT ASSAD TO CONVEY  
MESSAGE PARA 2 REFTEL BUT REPEATED CALLS TO PRESIDENCY  
FAILED TO AROUSE

ANYONE. (TODAY IS MOSLAM HOLIDAY.) THEN  
ATTEMPTED CONTACT FONMIN KHADDAM. FIRST RECEIVED  
ASSURANCE FROM HIS PRIVATE SECRETARY HA  
KHADDAM WOULD BE AVAILABLE EARLY THIS EVENING BUT  
PRIVATE SECRETARY TELEPHONED BACK AT 1700Z TO  
ADVISE THAT KHADDAM "OUTSIDE OF DAMASCUS" WITH PRESIDENT  
AND WOULD NOT RETURN UNTIL SEPT 24. I ACCORDINGLY AGREED  
TO DELIVER MESSAGE TO PRIVATE SECRETARY AT FON-  
MINISTRY ON HIS COMMITMENT HE WOULD TRANSMIT CONTENS  
IMMEDIATELY TO FONMIN.

2. HAVE JUST RETURNED FROM FONMINISTRY (170Z) HAVING  
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GONE OVER  
TEXT CAREFULLY WITH KHADDAM'S INTER-  
PRETER AND PRIVATE SECRETARY. THEY LEFT SINULTANEOUSLY FOR  
PRESIDENCY TO TELEPHONE MESSAGE OVER DIRECT LINE TO FONMIN  
IN LATAKIA. PROMISED ADVISE ME TONIRHT OF ANY REPLY FONMIN  
OR PRESIDENT MAY WISH TO MAKE.

3. SUGGEST DEPARTMENT PASS BEIRUT AND TEL AVIV.

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## Message Attributes

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